MR. M'CLAVE'S

He Explains the Delay in Providing a Signal and Patrol Wagon Service.

ADMITTING THE NECESSITY.

But He Does Not Clear the Police Board of the Juggling Charge.

MYERS AND HEWITT ATTACKED.

What Part Does the Telephone Monopoly Play in This Matter?

down to a question of responsibility be-tween the Police Commissioners on one hand and Comptroller Theodore W. Myers on the other. Mr. Myers's posiis already well known. He has himself insisted that he is not responsible; great wrong, but that the wrangling and relling of the Police Commissioners and others has really been the cause of

comes forward Police Commisner McClave. Smarting under what considers unfair criticisms of his tire responsibility upon Comptroller n no uncertain manner either, but in the forgotten many things that serve to

Commissioners' own Corporation Counstumbling block; that he had given opinions, worse than even Beekman on the same question; that he had delayed in one case nearly two years to answer an important question put to him, Combefore replying.

that Mr. Clark has written the opinions you speak about. But what are we to do? He is the legal counsel to this He is the legal counsel to this Board, and we must take our law from

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Jugglery is stamped upon the face of every move heretofore made.

Here is Mr. McClave's own language. It was his own suggestion that an "Evening World" reporter should take his statement. An appointment had been made twenty-four hours before, so that when he undertook to speak for his own Department he had its lefense carefully prepared.

"I have," he said, "read carefully the articles showing the deep interest taken by The Evening World" in the subject of procuring a proper police signal system, as well as an projer partol wagon service, for the Department. Speaking now for myself as well as on behalf of my fellow-tommissioners, I want to say that anything and everything "The Evening World" can say or put before the public to help us in procuring this much needed necessity will be thoroughly satisfactory to the Commissioners and gratefully necepted. This improvement is needed more than anything else in the Department.

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"After fully discussing the matter be-fore our Board, we had placed in our estimate a sum of \$399,000, asking the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to give us that amount, that we night commence—might make a beginning at establishing the system of signalling. Mr. Grace was then Mayor of New York and Mr. Myers, as Computoiler, was a member of the Board of Estimate and Augortionment.

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"Personally, I went before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and spoke for nearly half an hour on the subject. I informed that body of all we had done. How we had communicated with about everyshody who had a signal system, and did everything to find out what scheme would be the best. As a result of our work, we had several muchines put up in this building. In the office of the Chairman of the Committee of Supplies (Mr. Voorbins, showing the workings of the systems.

"Without having accepted any one system, because we could do nothing until we got money, we asked the Board of Estimate for the amount named. We stated the necessity of the reform, and the Board of Estimate at that time seemed to feel as we did. They gave us \$100,000 in our hands. Then, in order to further test the signals, we determined to put some of them in the streets—to establish a line in one of the precinct. Such a practical test was made in the old Twenty-nint, now the the Nine-timet were instructed how to use them.

everything possible had been done, the matter came up before the eatire Hoar, and we decided that the Herzog syster was the best of all. A particular rease why we decided upon that system was the best of all. A particular rease why we decided upon that system was that it was the only one which did nequire a telephone. All other system required a telephone, and as the Conpany was then charging about \$150 year, and as we would require severithousand telephones, we could not accept them, we had no money and no as thority. We also believed the Board effective was telephone system would require "Having finally agreed that the Herzo system was the best, our Commissione Fitz John Porter having recommended I his report was adouted.

"Now, under the law there is a section (section 50) which provides that in case

gotten many things that serve to swer his own arguments.

I was Myers and Hewitt, nobody but hers and Hewitt, according to his cry, but when brought face to face the the fact that ex-Mayor Hewitt is been out of office for many years of that the delay continued, he said that the delay continued he said that the mmissioners' own Corporation County, William M. Clark, was the real milling block; that he had given inions, worse than even Beekman on a same question; that he had delayed one case nearly two years to answer important ovestion put to him. Companies were also there, and a fight was made against Herzog.

Notwithstanding the sattements

Condition of Stock in the City Street-Cleaning

Sixty-three Horses Not Working and Twenty-six Are in the Hospital.

The Animal Weighs About 1.330 Pounds and Is Worth Not Over \$138.

stable at Seventeenth street and Avenue C, where "Big Tom" Brennan's aggregation of \$250 horses are mostly kept,

stables ecated respectively on Twelfth street, Farty-eighth street, Fifty-second teenth street stable will readily see that

She Gave Bernard \$600 and He

IDLE HORSES.

Department.

SIXTEEN FOR CARRIAGE USE.

AN ASH CART HORSE'S AVERAGE

Assembly Rooms.

It must be remembered that Superintendent of Stables Michael Kennedy is a politician, and not a horseman of stableman at all, for a few days since Veteriary Surgeon Dr. James Hamili Baid to an "Evening World" reporter. "Kennedy told me that he did not know anything about horses."

For many years Mr. Kennedy, who is a politician of more or less renown in his district, was connected with the Street-Cleaning Department as a District Superintendent, He became Superintendent of Stables in August, 1889, under Commissioner Beartle, and has held the office continuously every since.

The visilor at the Seventeenth street stable years old, of 107 Rivington street.

P.-STABLES, EAST EIGHTIETH STREET G-STABLES, HAMILTON STREET

-STABLES, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY

SECOND STREET.

Regarding this statement Superinten-ent of Stables Michael Kennedy makes be following explanations: "The five express horses in the de-

World" reporter.

It is the claim of the Street-Cleaning Department that no ash-cart horse is purchased unless at least 1,550 pounds in weight. The horse expert and the reporter picked up five of the city's ash-cart horses at random on the streets, with the following "esult".

Cart A, 88, on Third avenue; bay horse, about seven years old, weight about 1,550 pounds; value about \$150.

Cart A, 91, on Avenue A; hay horse, about six years old, weight about 1,550 pounds; value about \$150.

Cart A, 84, on Elm street; gray horse, about eight years old, weight about 1,550 pounds; value about \$150.

Cart A, 84, on East Fourteenth street; hav horse, about six years old, weight about 1,550 pounds; value about \$150.

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The average weight about the fire is about the average of the 517 ash-cart horses in the department, the most of which were purchased for \$250 each for horses weighing 1,550 pounds.

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CAN EXAMINE THE MINUTES.

Order Granted on Behalf of Ex-Bank Fresident Blant.

His Lawyer Says the Indictments Are Too Vague for Defense.

President Blaut, of the defunct Madison Square Bank, applied to Justice Barrett day for permission to examine the min-

TENANTS IN A BIG PANIC. CHANGES AT THE THEATRES. Aborn as Koko. A great attraction was the Lars Larsen family of five Danist at lettics, who executed some marvellous feats. Among the variety people were Bently and Cameron, McCole and Daniels, Ed and Josie Evans. Prof. David Burke with his dog circus, Mills and Williams and the four Cohans.

ment at 264 West Houston St.

and Infirm Woman,

A lamp exploded shortly before o'clock this morning on the third floor of the four-story tenement 264 West Houston street, and the blaze which fol

and his wife occupy the rooms where the blaze with a pillow, but failed. Then he ran through the house, yelling "Fire," and the inmates made a scramble to the

This would show that with sixty-three horses not working, and with twenty-six animals in the hospital, there are eighty-nine horses doing nothing at this time but consuming city feed, at a cost of \$150 per head per year.

Five ash-carts and five ash-cart horses, found at work on the streets in different parts of the city, were inspected yesterday by a horse expert and an "Evening World" reporter.

It is the claim of the Street-Cleaning Department that no ash-cart horse is

gold watch and chain, a diamond stud Late on the night of Nov. 12, says

of Houston street and the Bowery, waiting for a car. He had been attending a ball at the Germania Assembly Rooms.

robtery occurred.

Adam Lang, bartender of the place, says he saw Russmore going through Kitter's clothes, and he put Russmore out into the street, where Kitter and Santos followed him. Kitter says that after robbing him the thieves put him in a dazed condition on an up bound

CAT.

Kitter complained to the police, and Detectives McCarthy and Cuff, of the Central Office, arrested Russmore and Santos last night. Santos made a partial confession.

In the Tombs Police Court this morning they were remanded for examination.

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KOSTER & BIAL'S.

There was a long and interesting entertainment at Koster & Bial's Concert Hall last night. It was furnished by Mile. Edinee Lescot, Eunice Vance, Clara Qualitz, the dancer; Frank Bush, who is always amusing; John Le Clair, Harry Hastings, Frank Moran, whose "brief talks" always cause much mirth; Wood and Shepard, Lydia Yeamans-Titus, Marlo and Dunham, the All brothers and Kelly, Ashley and Edwards, Hubber's Museum.

Policeman Farrell Rescues an Aged Entertaining Vandeville Perform-

KOSTER & BIAL'S.

near Victoria Lock.

TATTERSALLS.

Hagenbeck's trained animals, at Tattersalls, Fifty-fifth street and Seventh avenue, are distinctly worth seeing. The animals are in a truly marvellous state of subjection, and the tricks that they accomplish are wonderful. The entertainment has already attracted New Yorkers, and those who have not yet seen it have missed a good thing. There are two performances daily.

"TORTURE INSTRUMENTS."

A very curious collection of torture in-

"TORTURE INSTRUMENTS."
A very curious collection of torture instruments from the royal castle of Nuremberg was displayed yeaterday at Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue, in the building formerly occupied by Messrs. Koster & Bial. Folks saw the iron masks that were fastened over the faces of unfortunate prisoners, a ducking chair, the "original iron maiden," and a number of other horrors belonging to past ages. There were over 1,300 exhibits.

LOOTED A BAGGAGE-ROOM.

John Henshey Appropriated Drum-

mer Blair's Trunk and Goods.

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John Henshey, twenty-five years old, of 466 Washfington street, was remanded in the Tombs Police Court this morning upon a charge of stealing goods from the bargage-room of the Pennsylvania Raillond at the Desbrosses street ferry.

He entered the baggage room Sunday stiernoon and broke open several trunks. Among them was a sample trunk belonging to W. J. Blair, a travelling-salesman for William Liddell & Co., dealers in linens, at 18 White street.

Samples valued at \$150 were taken from the trunk, besides a brand-new suit of dress clothes, the personal property of Mr. Blair, who was about starting on a Western trip.

Henshey was captured by Detectives Kehoe and McDermott, and the goods were recovered.

As the city of New York has no police patrol wagon service, the officers were

patrol wagon service, the officers were obliged to lend their prisoner through the streets to the station.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ALMANAC FOR TO-DAY.

HIGH WATER TO-DAY

LOW WATER TO-DAY.

FORT OF NEW YORK

OUTGOING STEAMERS.

GAILED TO-DAY.

The cable had shot frequent and glowing accounts of Mme. Melba and her work across the Atlantic, and the audience at the Metropolitan Opera-House last night—not as large as it might have been—was fully prepared to hear a vocal wonder. And it must at once be said that there was no disappointment in the interpretation of Lucia di Lammermeor given by the Australian prima donna. Mme. Melba, who is a handsome woman, a chubby edition of Emma Eames has a lovely be bell-like voice, pure, ringing, sympathetic and marvellously cultivated. She is estimated the house.

The wax group entitled "The Gorilla and the Woman" that has been so completely advertised by the interference of Anthony Comstock, attracted much attention at the Eden Musee yesterday. It is a clever piece of modelling, and it has a decided artistic value. On the stage were the Tortajada troupe of Spansier and the stage were the Tortajada troupe of Spansier and the limitations of the cultility of her voice suggests Patti a few years ago, but she is less interesting when she is not indulging in fireworks, for the curtical properties of the curtical properties of the curtical properties of the curtical properties of the curtical properties. The feature of the curio halls was the Chevaller Clique, who is described as a "sensational sword swallower," and whose performance are very curious. Morrisey and the woman that has been so completely advertised by the interference of Anthony Comstock, attracted much attention at the Eden Musee yesterday. It is a clever piece of modelling, and it has a decided artistic value. On the stage were the Tortajada troupe of Spansier easily discovered. Drammatically, the properties of the curio hall be a supplied to the properties of the curio hall be a supplied to the properties of the curio hall be a sup the blaze with a pillow, but failed. Then he have well and the house, yelling 'Eire,' and the work of the fact, which is a dead of the propose of the third floor, and was almost overcome by smoke there, there house, it is a clever piece of modelling, and it was almost overcome by smoke there, there house and was almost overcome by smoke the distributed as follows; One for the distributed a

IRVING PLACE THEATRE. The Ferenczy Comic Opera Compan uat made such a hit here last seaso Germania Assembly Dance.

Frank J. Kitter, an artist, of 40 Warren street, was a complainant in the Fombs Police Court this morning. The riseners were David Russmore, place that the lack of the proceeding the process of the process

"A Nutneg Match" was the play at the Grand Opera-House last night. It is the work of William Haworth, and was first seen in this city at the Fourteenth Street Theatre last February. The role then played by Miss Annie Lewis is now in the hands of Miss Nellia Buckley, who is a great improvement upon her predecessor. There is not much sense in "A Nutmeg Match," but there is a "mechanical effect" in the shape of a rock-blaster.

A play called "The Operator" was acted at H. R. Jacobs Theatre last night a ball at the Germania Assembly Rooms, While he was waiting he was approached by Russmore and Santos, who prevailed on him to drink with them. They visited various saloons, winding up at one at 255 Bowery, where, it is claimed, the robtery occurred.

acted at H. R. Jacobs Theatre last night with two stars, the twin brothers will iam and Williard Newell. These brothers are so remarkably alike in appearance that it is a verifiable puzzle to distinguish one from the other. In "The operator," which is a conventional melodrama, one brother plays the hero and the other the villain. There are several rather clever complications. rather clever complications

"Sport McAllister" is not a classic, and there was no disposition on the part of the audience that went to see it last night at the Columbus Theatre. Harlem, to consider it as such. There was a good deal of laughter at the absurdities of the piece, which is put together as a sort of a wardrobe upon the pegs of which specialities can be hung. The leading role was played by the exuberant "Bobliv" Gaylor.

they were remanded for examination.

HIS FIST THROUGH THE WINDOW.

Kiercher Got Too Vehement White

Talking in a Trolley Car.

John Kiercher, an upholsterer, twenty-five years old, of 3 Manhattan street, well, as Absalom Bates, did very good work.

PEOPLE'S THEATRE.

HAD HER LOVER ARRESTED

But Pauline's Charge of Grand

STRANGE ADVENTURES.

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